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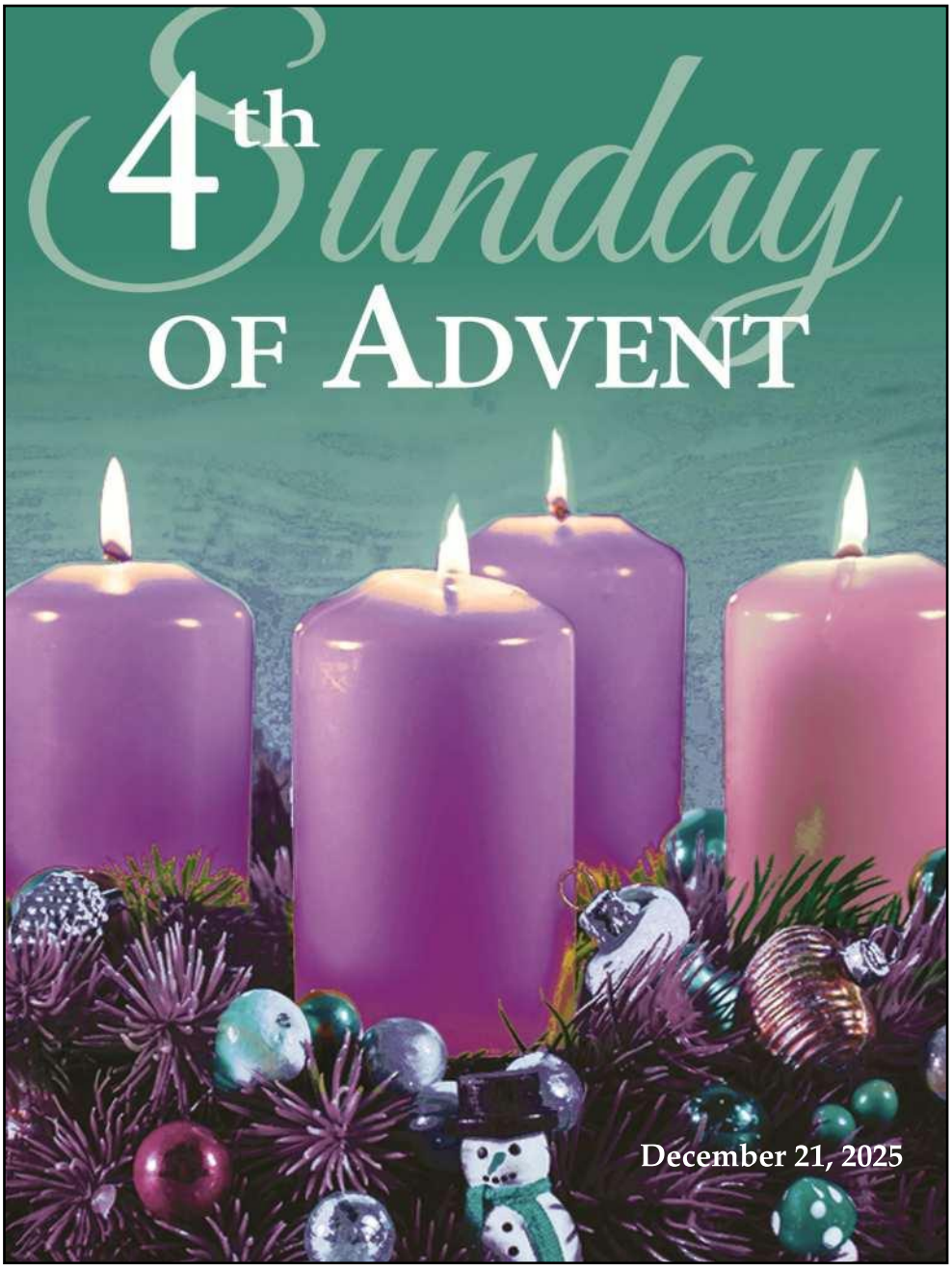

Mass Times

Wednesday 9:30 am
Sunday 9:00 am,
11:00 am & 5:00 pm

Adoration

Sunday 3:00 pm-4:45 pm
Tuesday 6:30 pm-8:30 pm
Wednesday 3:00 pm-7:30 pm

Confession

Sunday 3:00 pm-4:45 pm

Church open for prayer

Monday-Friday 9 am-12 pm

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9 am-12 pm
Fridays by appointment

Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 21
9:00 am: For Jeannine Roznowski req. by Ron Roznowski
11:00 am: For the repose of the souls of Frank and Mary Garcia req. by Bruno Sigda and Family
5:00 pm: For the intentions of our Parish Family

Monday, December 22
9:30 am: For the intentions of the Okammor Family

Tuesday, December 23
(Prv): For the repose of the soul of Anthony Szyndlar req. by Pete and Anne Ostrowski

Wednesday, December 24
4:00 pm: For the intentions of our Parish Family
10:00 pm: For the repose of the soul of George Magda req. by the family

Thursday, December 25
10:00 am: For the Christmas flower intentions

Friday, December 26
(Prv): For the souls in purgatory req. by Rocio Lopez

Sunday, December 28
9:00 am: In thanksgiving for God's mercy req. by the Oguejiofor Family
11:00 am: For the repose of the souls of Sr. Gloria Garcia req. by Bruno Sigda and Family
5:00 pm: For the intentions of our Parish Family

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve
Wednesday, December 24
4 & 10 pm

Christmas Day
Thursday, December 25
10 am

Mary, Mother of God Eve
Wednesday, December 31
5 pm

Mary, Mother of God
Thursday, January 1
10 am

Couple to Couple League Sympto-Thermal Natural Family Planning Class

John and Kelly Kopinski are leading an NFP class in their home in Saline starting Jan. 25
For more information visit: learnnfp.org

Waiting for Jesus!

Advent is a time when we reflect on waiting for Jesus. However, have you ever thought about those who might be waiting for YOU to bring *him* to *them*? Isolated members of our Catholic community in local care & correctional facilities need Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to visit them and ***Bring Jesus!***

St Joseph Prayer

If you desire prayer or wish to pray for fellow parishioners, email: **prayer@sjypsi.com**

Observances for the week of December 21, 2025

Sunday:	4th Sunday of Advent
Monday:	
Tuesday:	St. John of Kanty, Priest
Wednesday:	Christmas Eve
Thursday:	The Nativity of the Lord
Friday:	St. Stephen, First Martyr
Saturday:	St. John, Apostle and Evangelist
Next Sunday:	The Holy Family

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From Father Pieter

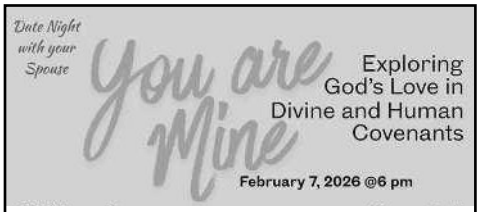
Today we prepare for Christmas from Joseph's perspective. When he found out that Mary was pregnant with a child that was not his own, Joseph intended to break his union with Mary—after all, it appeared she had violated their betrothal. But then an angel appeared to him in a dream and reassured Joseph that he didn't need to divorce Mary (the child in her womb was part of God's plan to redeem the world). *What does this mean for us?* Like Joseph, often God asks us to set aside our plans or take a step in a direction we don't understand. God asks us to trust Him! But when we follow Him, God transforms our lives in ways beyond our dreams. In Mass today offer your heart to God in trust, united with Jesus in the Holy Spirit, in the Eucharistic sacrifice.

What's Happening at St. Joseph?

Date Night with your Spouse: Registration is now open for our next marriage event on Saturday, February 7 at 6 pm. Enjoy dinner, drinks, a presentation and good fellowship. Childcare is available.

Daily Mass: I will be offering daily Mass tomorrow, Monday, December 22 at 9:30 am.

Pray for me as I pray for you during the final days of Advent!



Date Night with your Spouse

February 7, 2026
6 pm

Cathryn Torgerson-Wade of the Catholic Biblical School of Michigan will present

You are Mine: Exploring God's Love in Divine and Human Covenants

Enjoy fellowship, dinner, drinks and a presentation

Registration is required
Childcare is available
$25 donation per couple is suggested

Register Here:

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Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience Opportunities

Give thanks for the great blessing of your spouse by committing to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience!

Whether you are experiencing a rough patch in life or a time of great blessings, a Marriage Encounter Experience can help you improve your communication and grow in intimacy.

Upcoming experiences:

Jan. 17-19 in Walled Lake
Feb. 13-15 in Oxford
Apr. 10-12 in DeWitt

Sign up today at wwme.org or contact Amy & Joe Kopacz at 517-667-0433 for more info.

Women of Joy

The winter session of Women of Joy, a Catholic Women's Bible Study, starts Friday, January 9. WOJ is reading and discussing Wisdom Literature: Song of Songs, Sirach, Wisdom and Revelation. Sign up for the next session of WOJ. Use the QR code to register or contact the office at office@sjypsi.com.

Our Weekly Offering

December 7, 2025

Budget: $7,290
Cash and Checks: $4,550
# of envelopes used: 53
Online Giving: $2,835
Total Offering: $7,385

God bless you and thank you for your generosity!

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